

684.2745

PATENT APPLICATION#18/D
6/26/01
18

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

NAOTO SANO, ET AL.

Appln. No.: 09/163,402

Filed: September 30, 1998

For: GAS LASER DEVICE AND
EXPOSURE APPARATUS USING
THE SAME

Examiner: L. Scott, Jr.

Group Art Unit: 2881

FAX COPY RECEIVED

JUN 26 2001

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

June 26, 2001 Certificate of Facsimile Transmission

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to
the Patent and Trademark Office (Fax No. (703) 308-7721)on JUNE 26, 2001
(Date)Director, the Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Typed or printed name of person signing this certificate

JACK S. CUBERTSignature Jack S. CubertSUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to its examination and supplemental to the preliminary amendment filed May
21, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the present Abstract of the Disclosure with the following:

163402

--In a gas laser device, a laser gas sealingly stored in a chamber is
excited using a discharging electrode that is electrically discharged. Laser
light produced by the electrical discharging is totally reflected by a total
reflection mirror. An output window partially reflects the laser light and

21

D